

THE OUTLOOK

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Enroll Now in 2020 FALL Semester

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We are seven weeks into the Fall Semester and are becoming Zoom proficient if not experts. Online learning helps keep our brains active but does lack the social togetherness that is so much part of the classroom experience. Thus far we have 116 Annual Memberships and 192 Fall Semester memberships.

Our Spring Semester catalog has gone to print. Thank you to the Curriculum Committees who have developed a variety interesting classes to keep us mentally active. Here is an interesting tidbit I have come across about Zoom. In January 2020, Zoom had 10,000,000 average daily users worldwide. Today that number is 300,000,000.

Do you love OLLI@UCI? Do you want us to continue to be vital, creative, and informative? Then show us you are with us by renewing your membership - we won't be on ZOOM forever!

Lonnie Horn

President, OLLI at UCI

To find all the OLLI information, scroll through the eight large orange headers, from President's

If you are a **Mac** user, you may need to click "view entire message" to view this entire newsletter. The message will be found at the bottom left corner of this page. If you see

BOARD'S CORNER

Official Information



- Click <u>HERE</u> to view the **Donations** posted **July 1**,
 2020 through September 30, 2020.
- The Minutes of the October, 2020 Board Meeting, to be approved at the next scheduled Board Meeting, will be posted on the <u>OLLI Blog</u> along with past Board Meeting minutes.

OLLI COURSES

Important Class Notices

New Fall Class Added

Current Issues Forum (SS 314)

Wednesdays, November 11; December 9; January 13; 1:00-3:00 PM Click <u>here</u> for details. To enroll, go to <u>ce.uci.edu/olli</u> or call 949-824-5414, Mon-Thur, 9 AM - 4 PM.

AND OLLI's Drama Talks Resume Nov.29:

See UCI Section at the end of the newsletter for details.

Change of Class Dates (and/or) Times:

Living Well: Diabetes Risk Prevention (SC 208). New dates/time: Friday, Nov. 6; 1:30-3:30 PM.

The World's Religions (AH 107). New dates/time: Mondays, Nov. 9, 23; Dec. 7, 21; Jan. 4, 18; 10 AM - 12 Noon. This class will not be recorded for later viewing and will only be viewable to those enrolled in the class.

Trips from Good Times Travel - OLLI's long-time partner

Good Times Travel is open again and offering single day outdoor based tours in October and November with implementation of all the virus safety measures. In the past Good Times Travel has been a popular and valued provider for OLLI trips. OLLI will not be offering Special Events this fall or spring, but if you are ready for a trip, view the link too Good Times Travel offerings: info@goodtimestravel.com

OLLI Remote Learning Center Access

Selected classes are being **live streamed and recorded** for all current OLLI members. NOTE: Due to COVID-19 no classes are meeting in person. A **schedule** of upcoming live streamed and over 400 pre-recorded classes is available through the new **Remote Learning Center**. Members, check your inbox on Mondays for your KIT Mail, which will give you the schedule and instructions for signing up for our new **Remote Learning Center**. If you have already created an account for the OLLI Remote Learning Center, just go to **olli.ce.uci.edu** and log in with your e-mail address and the password you created. **Note, you must be a current member to access the Remote Learning Center**.

OLLI Remote Learning Center Class Etiquette Guidelines

When taking a *live streamed* class via the OLLI Remote Learning Center, ORLC, you are in a virtual classroom and should conduct yourself as you would in a real classroom. Based on feedback from the last few months of remote learning we have come up with some guidelines to enhance the online experience.

You are on a live camera

- Focus on the screen or camera, not on your phone or other device
- Do not eat, drink, or wander around
- Consider what others will see behind you and keep interruptions to a minimum
- Consider using a virtual background or turning off your video

You are on a <u>live</u> microphone

- Mute yourself when listening
- Avoid side conversations
- Eliminate background noise to the extent possible, including phones, TV/radio, pets
- Raise your hand either physically or using the raised hand icon on the bottom bar

Additional tip

 Login at least five minutes before class starts to allow for any last-minute adjustments

OLLI INFO

Give the Gift of Lifelong Learning



OLLI Membership Gift Certificates

Wondering what to buy the people in your life who have everything? Do something original and creative—give the gift of OLLI at UCI! Gift certificate memberships make thoughtful gifts for a friend or a family member on a birthday or anniversary or for a special holiday or occasion. An OLLI at UCI Membership Gift Certificate is sure to brighten someone's day. Your gift will open the door to exciting learning adventures, and members-only programs. Click here for more information.

A Bit of Trivia....

New Exam especially for OLLI members, you only need 4 correct out of 8 questions to pass.

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years' War last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 6) What color is a purple finch?
- 5) What was King George VI's first name?
- 7) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
- 8) What is the color of the black box in a commercial airplane?

Remember, you need only 4 correct answers to pass. Click here to check your answers. Submitted for OLLI's "continuing education," Leah Jordan

Fall Semester Registration

Click **HERE** to view our Fall classes and to enroll in our program. Online enrollment is open 24/7 at **ce.uci.edu/olli**; phone-in enrollment is available Monday - Thursday, 9 AM - 4 PM by calling 949-824-5414.

Order a Free Fall Catalog

If you didn't receive a catalog or if you are not a current member, but would like to receive our Fall catalog, click **here** to order a free

catalog.

Virtual Volunteers Needed

Enrich your member experience by developing and strengthening social ties!

Volunteer from home while classes are online. Join our community of volunteers and connect with like-minded individuals who love to learn. We offer a range of volunteer opportunities; one of these might just be a perfect fit for you! Interested or just want to learn more about our volunteer opportunities? Call 949-451-1403 or email us at oliowedge-align: classes or email us at oliowedge-align: classes or email

OLLI EXTRAS

(Open to members and non members)

ZOOM some Spanish Conversation GO ONLINE with Bridge, Movie Talk & Mah Jongg

Spanish Club - VIA ZOOM

For answers to questions about our Spanish group, or to request to join the group, contact Kristien Evans at **kristien5@gmail.com.**

Bridge with OLLI - ONLINE

For answers to questions on bridge, now is a perfect time to learn/play bridge online for free, at home any time. Clcik here to learn how to play bridge online. Or, click here to check out the fabulous BBO (Bridgebase Online) website.

There is a very good reason to learn this game – bridge players are never bored during a pandemic. For more Information contact OLLI member Janie Matlaf at **jmatlaf@gmail.com**

Movie Talk - ONLINE You are all welcome to join us watching athome screens. What have you seen lately? Send me your name, email, and join the conversation. **jessietromberg@icloud.com**

Mah Jongg - ONLINE

Mah Jongg is a popular Chinese game played with sets of tiles similar to the Western card game Rummy Cube. For more information to meet playing online at **Realmahjongg.com**, contact Carolyn Brothers at **cbdancer@aol.com** or May Fong at **mayfong4@gmail.com**.

ON HOLD - Some OLLI Extras are on hold until we meet again in person

INQUIRING MINDS



MOVIE TALK: Have you been to one of the newly reopened theaters? Tell us about the experience. What's hot on your movie screen? Let us know, we're still talking...jessie **tromberg@icloud.com**

Pursuing the Light of Happiness in Dark Times by Mel Roth is preserved in our archives. It is certainly relevant to these days. Click **HERE** to read the full article.

Library News

The shelves will be waiting for you when we return; and remember, we will be happy to accept your book donations to share with other OLLI members. Thank you.



Lynne Pendleton
OLLI Librarian
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Road Scholar 2020 Videos

For those who have canceled travel plans or just want to see new sights, **Road Scholar** has multiple videos online that are free to all. Click **Road Scholar 2020 - Video Results** and travel from home.

Clare Trevor School of the Arts - Digital Events AND Two UCI Drama Events for OLLI!

See UCI Campus Events Below for Nov. and Dec.



Drama Events - Click <u>HERE</u> to view and register for upcoming events.



Dance Events - Click <u>HERE</u> to view and register for upcoming events.



Art and Art Galery - Click **HERE** to view and register for upcoming events.



Music Events - Click <u>HERE</u> to view and register for upcoming events.

See UCI Campus Events for Two NEW OLLI Drama Events! The State of California, during this crisis, is cutting the UC Budget by 10%. If you are able to help make up for the budget shortfall for the UCI Drama Department, please consider joining or making a contribution to the UCI Theatre Guild. Click HERE for information.

Bobi keenan - OLLI Liaison to the UCI Drama Department

UCI CAMPUS EVENTS

The **Illuminations** Series is **NOW** open **online to OLLI** members! Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about fascinating activities and events at UCI even during our "social distancing."



Pan-Dam-It

On Nov. 15 at 4PM

Youtube Live presentation of a new play....Pan-Dam-It... free and open to the public...you do have to register for this 90 minute performance to be followed by a live question and answer session with the playwright, directors and cast. Click **HERE** to register.

The script highlights the much publicized mask debate by juxtaposing the moral conflict between individual liberty and public health and by exposing the invisible social dynamic divisions that are complicated by the multi-ethnic make-up of Southern California.

Performed by professional artists and students from UCI Claire Trevor School of the Arts.

UCI DRAMA RETURNS TO OLLI

Although UCI buildings remain closed, the Drama Department is going ahead with Virtual Productions. Two will be available on ZOOM for viewing during our Fall Semester.

UCI Drama Department Chair, Don Hill, generously has arranged for **OLLI** to have **ZOOM Pre-Performance Director's Talks**.

Links will be provided in the KIT mail

Details on the Shows and how to view them will be coming soon. They will all be FREE OF CHARGE.

SAVE THESE DATES:

JUBILEE and ME - Songs I Never Got to Sing Sunday, November 29

Pre-show Director's Talk & Discussion 1:15-1:45 PM; Performance at 2:00 PM

SHE KILLS MONSTERS Sunday, December 13

Pre-show Director's Talk & Discussion 1:15 - 1:45 PM; Performance at 2:00 PM

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UCI TODAY

Click **HERE** to view upcoming UCI events.

LEGACY GIVING - OLLI at UCI



Spread the joy

Individuals 70 1/2 or older can now fulfill their required distributions through charitable rollovers.

For more information on how to reduce your taxable income while supporting OLLI at UCI, click here>>.



Click **here** for more details on giving.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors, Curriculum Chairs and **Program Committees**

Click **here** to view a list.

CONTACT INFORMATION

At the direction of UCI administration, OLLI staff will be working remotely until further notice. You can still reach us at olli@uci.edu or 949-451-1403, Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 2 PM. Please do not come in to the OLLI office; it will be closed.

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OLLI depends on the generous donations from our members to help support our programs.



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